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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Agricultural Marketing Department – Departmental Proceedings against Sri T. Nageswara Reddy, the then Secretary, AMC, Madanapalli, Chittoor district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Proddatur, Y.S.R.Kadapa district under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 read with Rule 172 of A.P.(AP & LS) Markets Rules, 1969 – Article of Charge – Issued.

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AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.353 **Dated:08.05.2024**

Read the following:-

1. Vigilance Report No.43(C.No.605/V&E/D3/2012), dated:25.06.2021 of the Director General(V&E) & E.O.Principal Secretary to Government(FAC), General Administration(V&E)Department.
2. G.O.Ms.No.78, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dated:11.11.2021.

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O R D E R:

In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government in the reference read above, under Sub-Clause (i) of clause (b) of Sub-Rule (2) of Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 read with Finance Department Circular Memo No.993083/Fin01-HROCL/9/2019-HR-III, dated:15.03.2020 for initiating departmental proceedings against Sri T. Nageswara Reddy, the then Secretary, AMC, Madanapalli, Chittoor district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Proddatur, Y.S.R.Kadapa district, it is considered necessary to hold an inquiry against the said Sri T. Nageswara Reddy, the then Secretary, AMC, Madanapalli, Chittoor district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Yemmiganur, Kurnool district in accordance with the procedure laid down under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 read with Rule 172 of A.P.(AP & LS) Markets Rules, 1969.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Article of Charge (Annexure – I & II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom the article of charge proposed to be sustained are enclosed (Annexure –III & IV).

3. Sri T. Nageswara Reddy, the then Secretary, AMC, Madanapalli, Chittoor district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Proddatur, Y.S.R.Kadapa district is directed to submit his written statement of defence within 10 days on receipt of this order.

4. Sri T. Nageswara Reddy, the then Secretary, AMC, Madanapalli, Chittoor district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Proddatur, Y.S.R.Kadapa district is further informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charge that are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny the article of charge.

5. Sri T. Nageswara Reddy, the then Secretary, AMC, Madanapalli, Chittoor district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Proddatur, Y.S.R.Kadapa district is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in Para 3 above, further action will be proceeded based on the material available.

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6. The attention of Sri T. Nageswara Reddy, the then Secretary, AMC, Madanapalli, Chittoor district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Proddatur, Y.S.R.Kadapa district is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to hear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri T. Nageswara Reddy, the then Secretary, AMC, Madanapalli, Chittoor district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Proddatur, Y.S.R.Kadapa district is aware of such representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this order shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHARA PRADESH)

BABU A,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri T. Nageswara Reddy,
The then Secretary, AMC, Madanapalli, Chittoor district &
Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Proddatur, Y.S.R.Kadapa district.
(Through : The Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur)
Copy to:-
The Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.
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ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI T. NAGESWARA REDDY, THE THEN SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, MADANAPALLI, CHITTOOR DISTRICT & SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY(RETIRED), AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, YEMMIGANUR, KURNOOL DISTRICT.

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ARTICLE OF CHARGE:

"That Sri T. Nageswara Reddy, while working as Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Madanapalli, Chittoor District has neglected the instructions of the Assistant Director of Marketing, Chittoor district in implementation of collection of 7.5% of Commission from the sale amount of the farmer's produce. He has failed to supervise on the Commission Agents at AMC, Madanapalli and not enforced the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh (Agricultural Produce & Livestock) Markets Act, 1966 and thus caused collection of additional amounts from the farmers taken produce to the Market Yard and irregular maintenance of Takpatti by the Commission Agents and caused loss of revenue to the AMC . He has also failed to collect 1% of AMF as per Rules in A.P.(AP&LS) Markets Act, 1966 and Rules,1969.

Thus it shows his gross negligence towards his official duties, lack of devotion to duty and thus violated the Rule 3 of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules 1964 and violated the Rule 31 of A.P.(AP&LS) Markets Rules, 1969".

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI T. NAGESWARA REDDY, THE THEN SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, MADANAPALLI, CHITTOOR DISTRICT & SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY(RETIRED), AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, PRODDATUR, Y.S.R.KADAPA DISTRICT.

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Imputation of Charge:-

The General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department in its Vigilance Report No. 43 (C.No.605/V&E/D3/2012), dated:25.06.2021 have informed that, the officials of Vigilance & Enforcement Department conducted enquiry on issuing of Takpatti by the Commission Agents in the Market Yards in Chitoor, Kadapa, West Godavari and Kurnool Districts and found certain irregularities. The V&E Officials have found that Sri T. Nageswara Reddy, the then Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Madanapalli, Chittoor District has neglected the instructions of the Assistant Director of Marketing, Chittoor District vide Letter Rc. No. 51/244/2006, dated:11.05.2006 in implementation of collection of 7.5% Commission from the sale amount of the farmers produce and in providing Electronic Weighing Machines in the Tomato Market Yards. Due to his negligence of the ADM instructions, the Commission Agents Sri G. Fazulla Hussain and Sri C. Jayarami Reddy, AMC, Madanapalli, Chittoor District are not issuing Takpatti and collecting 10% of commission instead of 7.5% from the farmers for selling their produce. The Agriculture Market Fee 1% was not collected from the traders, but only a fixed amount is being collected from the traders who are lifting the produce from the Market Yard.

By the above act, he has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of the public servant and contravened rule 3 of A.P.C.S.(Conduct) Rules, 1964 and Rule 31 of A.P.(AP&LS) Markets Rules, 1969 and rendered himself liable for disciplinary action. Hence, the Charge.

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ANNEXURE–III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS ON THE BASIS OF WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI T. NAGESWARA REDDY, THE THEN SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, MADANAPALLI, CHITTOOR DISTRICT & SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY(RETIRED), AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, PRODDATUR, Y.S.R.KADAPA DISTRICT.

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Govt. Memo No. MKTG/176/VIG.II/2021(1532215), dated:11.11.2021 of Agriculture & Cooperation (Vig.II) Department along with Vigilance Report No. 43(C.No.605/V&E/D3/2012), dated:25.06.2021 of General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department.

ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESS BY WHOM BY THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI T. NAGESWARA REDDY, THE THEN SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, MADANAPALLI, CHITTOOR DISTRICT & SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY(RETIRED), AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, PRODDATUR, Y.S.R.KADAPA DISTRICT.

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The Inspection Officers, V&E Department.

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